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In re application of:

Duane DETWILER et al.

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For: VEHICLE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BUMPER SYSTEM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 27, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 4, 2002, the period to respond being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time from December 4, 2002 to January 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraphs [0004], [0024], and [0026] of the Specification as follows:

[0004] In order to address this global problem, the European Enhanced Vehicle-Safety Committee (EEVC) working group established test procedures for evaluating the safety performance of motor vehicles with respect to pedestrians. These procedures include the evaluation of bumper systems.

[0024] During the flat barrier testing, the two-part box was shown to meet the target performance. In order to meet the target performance for the angled barrier testing, an inner extension 8c is added. The inner extension 8c is disposed vertically